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Federal Communications Commission
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Universal Service Administrative Company
2120 L Street, NW - Suite 600
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RE: CC Docket No. 96-45, Federal State Joint Board on Universal Service

Dear Ms. Dortch and Ms. Flannery:

The FCC has adopted a requirement that state commissions must file an annual certification with USAC and the FCC stating that all federal high-cost fund (HCF) support provided to carriers in their respective states will be used only for the intended purposes.¹ The FCC did not specify a mechanism pursuant to which that certification is to be accomplished. Rather, the FCC left it open for the state commissions and the affected carriers to develop an appropriate mechanism.

The Commission received sworn affidavits from the carriers identified in the enclosed list. The list identifies the name and study area as identified by USAC and matches it, where possible, with the name of the carrier that provided the sworn affidavit and its state utility identification number. All eligible telecommunications carriers receiving or projected to receive HCF support in the first quarter of 2003 have submitted affidavits.

In its sworn affidavit, each carrier states:

4. Carrier files this affidavit in compliance with the Federal Communications Commission's order of May 23, 2001, in Docket No. 96-45, which requires states to certify to the Federal Communications Commission that all Federal High-Cost Support within this state be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.

5. Carrier hereby states that it will use the Federal High Cost Support Funds only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which

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¹ In the Matter of Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, CC Docket No. 96-45/CC Docket No. 00-256, Fourteenth Report and Order, Twenty-Second Order on Reconsideration, and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in CC Docket No. 96-45 and Report and Order in CC Docket No. 00-256 (FCC 01-157) (released May 23, 2001).

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the support is intended pursuant to § 254(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996.

Relying on these sworn affidavits, the Commission certifies that all the Federal High Cost Support Funds received by these Wisconsin companies will be used for only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended pursuant to § 254(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996.

Questions regarding this matter may be directed to Jeff Richter of our staff at (608) 267-9624.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin, September 30, 2002

By the Commission:

Lynda L. Dorr
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Secretary to the Commission

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Enclosure

cc: Records Management, PSCW
Nick Lester, Wisconsin State Telecommunications Association

WSTA Member Companies & PSC-USAC Number & Date Affidavit Received

Company Name	WT ID	USAC	Received
AMERY TELCOM INC	150	330842	23-Aug
AMHERST TELEPHONE COMPANY	170	330843	26-Aug
BADGER TELECOM, INC.	300	330844	21-Aug
BALDWIN TELECOM, INC	330	330846	28-Aug
BAYLAND TELEPHONE, INC.	390	330925	20-Aug
BELMONT TELEPHONE COMPANY	450	330847	28-Aug
THE BERGEN TELEPHONE COMPANY	470	848	22-Aug
BLACK EARTH TELEPHONE COMPANY	540	330849	21-Aug
BLOOMER TELEPHONE COMPANY	590	330850	26-Aug
BONDUEL TELEPHONE COMPANY	640	330851	21-Aug
BRUCE TELEPHONE CO., INC.	820	330855	23-Aug
BURLINGTON, BRIGHTON, & WHEATLAND TELEPHONE CO	850	330856	21-Aug
CENTRAL STATE TELEPHONE COMPANY	1020	330859	21-Aug
CHEQUAMEGON TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC.	1070	330860	26-Aug
CHIBARDUN TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE INC	1090	330861	26-Aug
CITIZENS TELEPHONE COOP. INC.	1130	330863	28-Aug
CITIZENS TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANY OF ILLINOIS	1132	341183	24-Aug
CLEAR LAKE TELEPHONE COMPANY INC	1170	330865	30-Aug
COCHRANE COOPERATIVE TELEPHONE CO	1230	330866	27-Aug
COON VALLEY FARMERS TELEPHONE CO	1350	330868	21-Aug
RHINELANDER TELEPHONE COMPANY(CRANDON)	1410	330870	24-Aug
RHINELANDER TELEPHONE COMPANY(HEADWATERS)	1410	330891	24-Aug
RHINELANDER TELEPHONE COMPANY(RHINELANDER)	1410	330940	24-Aug
RHINELANDER TELEPHONE COMPANY(RIB LAKE)	1410	330941	24-Aug
CUBA CITY TELEPHONE EXCHANGE COMPANY	1460	330872	28-Aug
DICKEYVILLE TELEPHONE CORPORATION	1630	330875	21-Aug
CENTURYTEL OF FAIRWATER-BRANDON-ALTO, INC.	1910	330877	28-Aug
FARMERS INDEPENDENT TELEPHONE COMPANY	1940	330879	21-Aug
FARMERS TELEPHONE COMPANY	1960	330880	21-Aug
CENTURYTEL OF FORESTVILLE, INC.	2050	330884	28-Aug
CENTURYTEL OF CENTRAL WISCONSIN LLC	2055	331159	28-Aug
HAGER TELECOM, INC.	2420	330889	22-Aug
HILLSBORO TELEPHONE CO, INC	2560	330892	28-Aug
CENTURYTEL OF THE MIDWEST-KENDALL, INC.	2815	330924	28-Aug
CENTURYTEL OF WISCONSIN, LLC.	2930	330895	28-Aug
LAKEFIELD TELEPHONE COMPANY	2970	330896	20-Aug
CENTURYTEL OF LARSEN-READFIELD, INC.	3070	330898	28-Aug
LAVALLE TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC.	3090	330899	22-Aug
LEMONWEIR VALLEY TELEPHONE COMPANY	3110	330900	21-Aug
LUCK TELEPHONE COMPANY	3230	330902	22-Aug
MANAWA TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.	3310	330905	20-Aug
MARQUETTE-ADAMS TELEPHONE CO-OPERATIVE, INC.	3400	330908	22-Aug
MID-PLAINS, INC.	3650	330881	21-Aug
MIDWAY TELEPHONE COMPANY	3660	330909	21-Aug
MILLTOWN MUTUAL TELEPHONE COMPANY	3690	330910	22-Aug
FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS OF MONDOVI	3790	330912	24-Aug
CENTURYTEL OF MONROE COUNTY, INC.	3810	330913	28-Aug
EASTCOAST TELECOM, INC	3880	330914	21-Aug
THE MOSINEE TELEPHONE COMPANY	3900	330915	21-Aug
MOUNT HOREB TELEPHONE COMPANY	3940	330916	27-Aug

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Company Name	WI ID	USAC	Received
MT VERNON TELEPHONE COMPANY	3970	330917	21-Aug
NELSON TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE	4070	330918	21-Aug
NIAGARA TELEPHONE COMPANY	4160	330920	29-Aug
NORTHEAST TELEPHONE COMPANY	4210	330938	27-Aug
CENTURYTEL OF THE MIDWEST-WI. INC./CENCOM	4260	330841	28-Aug
CENTURYTEL OF THE MIDWEST-WI. INC./CASCO	4260	330857	28-Aug
CENTURYTEL OF THE MIDWEST-WI. INC./NORTHWEST	4260	330922	28-Aug
CENTURYTEL OF THE MIDWEST-WI. INC./PLATTEVILLE	4260	330922	28-Aug
CENTURYTEL OF THE MIDWEST-WI. INC./THORP	4260	330959	28-Aug
CENTURYTEL OF THE MIDWEST-WI. INC./WAYSIDE	4260	330970	28-Aug
GRANT LAND TELECOM, INC.	4580	330930	21-Aug
CENTURYTEL OF SOUTHERN WISCONSIN, INC.	4590	330931	28-Aug
INDIANHEAD TELEPHONE COMPANY	4860	330936	22-Aug
PRICE COUNTY TELEPHONE COMPANY	4870	330937	22-Aug
RICHLAND-GRANT TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC.	5080	330642	22-Aug
RIVERSIDE TELECOM, INC.	5140	330943	21-Aug
FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS ST CROIX	5210	330944	24-Aug
SCANDINAVIA TELEPHONE COMPANY	5280	330945	21-Aug
SHARON TELEPHONE COMPANY	5340	946	22-Aug
SIREN TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.	5490	330949	26-Aug
CENTURY TEL OF NORTHWEST WISCONSIN, INC.	5530	330950	28-Aug
SOMERSET TELEPHONE COMPANY INC	5560	330951	23-Aug
SOUTHEAST TELEPHONE COMPANY OF WISCONSIN, INC.	5570	330952	21-Aug
SPRING VALLEY TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.	5660	330953	22-Aug
STATE LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE COMPANY	5680	330955	22-Aug
STOCKBRIDGE & SHERWOOD TELEPHONE COMPANY	5710	330954	21-Aug
CENTURYTEL TELEPHONE USA OF WISCONSIN LLC	5846	331155	28-Aug
TENNEY TELEPHONE COMPANY	5850	330958	21-Aug
TRI-COUNTY TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC.	5950	330960	26-Aug
UNION TELEPHONE COMPANY	6000	330962	22-Aug
UTELCO INC	6030	330963	21-Aug
CENTURYTEL OF NORTHERN WISCONSIN, INC.	6040	330956	28-Aug
FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS OF WISCONSIN	6050	330964	24-Aug
VERNON TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE	6090	330966	27-Aug
FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS VIROQUA INC	6150	330967	24-Aug
WAUNAKEE TELEPHONE COMPANY	6250	330968	21-Aug
WEST WISCONSIN TELCOM COOP INC	6440	330971	26-Aug
WITTENBERG TELEPHONE COMPANY	6750	330973	21-Aug
WOOD COUNTY TELEPHONE COMPANY	6770	330974	21-Aug

Member's CLECs

BAYLAND COMMUNICATIONS, INC.	387	330924	30-Aug
CTC TEL.COM, INC.	1455	339001	26-Aug
MARQUETTE-ADAMS COMMUNICATIONS	3405	n/a	22-Aug
TECH COM, INC.	5847	2556	22-Aug
LAKEFIELD COMMUNICATIONS	7057	148	20-Aug
24-7 TELCOM	7073	4855	26-Aug
LAKELAND TELECOM	7179	769	22-Aug
SHARON TELEPHONE COMPANY CLEC	5340	7747	22-Aug

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